

November 5, 2013

The Honorable Michael Bennet United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Tom Coburn United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Bennet and Coburn:

On behalf of the Information Technology Industry Council (ITI), I write to express our strong support for S. 1611, the Data Center Consolidation Act of 2013. ITI is keenly interested in the opportunities this bill will create for the Federal government to reduce costs by designing more energy efficient data centers with more efficient information and communications technology. Promoting smarter, more efficient use of our resources, particularly through use of information and communications technology, is a top priority for the high tech sector.

If designed to be energy efficient, data centers can achieve significant savings for the federal government by generating significantly more work per unit of energy consumed. This will bring about significant reductions in total cost of ownership of government process and operations and generate taxpayer savings. The Data Center Consolidation Act will take steps in this direction to ensure the federal government uses its resources wisely by optimizing, reconfiguring, and closing where necessary, those inefficient federal data centers.

On behalf of ITI's member companies, I thank you for your work on the Data Center Consolidation Act of 2013. This bill represents an important step toward smarter use of federal resources.

Very respectfully yours,

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